

# The Siebel Scholars Foundation Announces 2013 Siebel Scholars

*Community Grows to 800 Leaders in Business, Computer Science, and Bioengineering*

**PALO ALTO, Calif.—September 10, 2012**—The Siebel Scholars Foundation today announced the recipients of the annual Siebel Scholars awards. The Siebel Scholars program recognizes the most talented students at the world’s leading graduate schools of business, bioengineering, and computer science. With the 2013 class of Siebel Scholars, 85 new scholars join an ever-growing, lifelong community of leaders. Today, nearly 800 Siebel Scholars are active in a program that nurtures leadership, academic achievement, and the collaborative search for solutions to the world’s most pressing problems.

“It is my great pleasure to congratulate the Siebel Scholars Class of 2013 and to welcome them to the Siebel Scholars community,” said Thomas M. Siebel, Chairman of the Siebel Scholars Foundation. “The Siebel Scholars community actively fosters leadership, collaboration, and increased potential for Siebel Scholars to achieve even more through their work with an incomparable group of equally talented peers.”

The Siebel Scholars program was established in 2000 by the Siebel Foundation through grants to Carnegie Mellon University; Harvard University; The Johns Hopkins University; Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Northwestern University; Stanford University; Tsinghua University; University of California, Berkeley; University of California, San Diego; University of Chicago; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; and University of Pennsylvania. Each year, five graduate students from each of the 17 partner institutions are honored as Siebel Scholars and receive a \$35,000 award for their final year of studies.

Siebel Scholars and are chosen by the dean of their respective schools on the basis of outstanding academic achievement and demonstrated leadership. On average, Siebel Scholars rank in the top 5% of their class, many within the top 1%. This year’s honorees are:

## **Graduate Schools of Bioengineering**

*Johns Hopkins University, Whiting School of Engineering and School of Medicine:*

[Jason Lance Constantino](#), [Laura Marie Ensign-Hodges](#), [Mustapha Jamal](#), [William Garrett Jenkinson](#), [Yi Zhang](#)

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology, School of Engineering:*

[Francisco Felijó Delgado](#), [Peter DeMuth](#), [Stephen Goldfless](#), [Miles Miller](#), [Yvonne Joy Yamanaka](#)

*Stanford University, School of Engineering and School of Medicine:*

[Widya Mulyasmita](#), [Jayodita Sanghvi](#), [Tony Schindler](#), [Pakpoom Subsoontorn](#), [Grace Tang](#)

*University of California, Berkeley, College of Engineering:*

[Lukasz Jan Bugaj](#), [Laura Rose Croft](#), [Timothy Lamont Downing](#), [Alex James Hughes](#), [Debkishore Mitra](#)

*University of California, San Diego, Institute of Engineering in Medicine and Jacobs School of Engineering:*

[Angelina Altshuler](#), [Athurva Gore](#), [On Shun Pak](#), [Ameya Phadke](#), [Helen Saad](#)

## **Graduate Schools of Business**

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Sloan School of Management:*

[Senthil Balasubramanian](#), [Sriram Emani](#), [Matthew Kasenga](#), [Elena Schrum](#), [Adina Taylor](#)

*Northwestern University, Kellogg School of Management:*

[Laurie Beth Gallien](#), [Jeanne Gatto](#), [Elliot Jason Poindexter](#), [Rushi Sheth](#), [Shenqing Tang](#)

*Stanford University, Graduate School of Business:*

[Greg Bybee](#), [Krystal Kate Trafford Cowan](#), [Stewart Philip Lynn](#), [Blake Nesbitt](#), [Peter Safer Shalek](#)

*University of Chicago Booth School of Business:*

[Sanjhi Agrawal](#), [Catherine Mark](#), [Kathleen Jean Ossman](#), [Bradley Philip Schwartz](#), [Albert Jung Kong Wong](#)

## **Graduate Schools of Computer Science**

*Carnegie Mellon University, School of Computer Science:*

[Sanjiban Choudhury](#), [Ruta Desai](#), [Min Kyung Lee](#), [Martina Rau](#), [Zeyu Zheng](#)

*Harvard University, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences:*

[Tunde Mufutau Agboola](#), [Heather Pon-Barry](#), [Adam Sealfon](#), [Jonathan Ullman](#), [Thomas Wang](#)

*Massachusetts Institute of Technology, School of Engineering:*

[Rachel Chasin](#), [Ningren Han](#), [Anirudha Majumdar](#), [Rohit Singh](#), [Tao Yu](#)

*Princeton University, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences:*

[Mark Browning](#), [Rong Ge](#), [Hanjun Kim](#), [Vladimir Kim](#), [Prakash Prabhu](#)

*Stanford University, School of Engineering:*

[Jacqueline Chen](#), [Deniz Kahramaner](#), [Sofia Kyriazopoulou-Panagiotopoulou](#), [Wendy Mu](#), [Arun Prasad](#)

*Tsinghua University, School of Information Science and Technology:*

[Qi Li](#), [Wenbin Tang](#), [Bing Wei](#), [Danqing Xu](#), [Ting Yao](#)

*University of California, Berkeley, College of Engineering:*

[Yunlong Li](#), [Antonio Lupher](#), [Brandon Wang](#), [Wei Wu](#)

*University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, College of Engineering:*

[Arpit Agarwal](#), [Harshit Kharbanda](#), [Manoj Krishnan](#), [Jonathan Christopher Tedesco](#), [Ali Vakilian](#)

Each year, at the annual Siebel Scholars Conference, current and past alumni convene with eminent authorities—including heads of state, scientists, lawmakers and industry experts—to explore critical social issues and potential solutions.

The [2012 Siebel Scholars Conference](#) will be held October 12-14 at the University of California, Berkeley to debate the root causes of class conflict, social and economic trends fueling disparities in income and wealth, the best approaches to solve the problem of class warfare, and who should take responsibilities. Siebel Scholars will tackle this topic of Class Warfare in America with experts representing a broad array of perspectives, including former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, former Labor Secretary Robert Reich, New York Times columnist David Brooks, authors Niall Ferguson and Charles Murray, and consumer advocate Ralph Nader.

Past Siebel Scholars Conference participants have included British Prime Minister John Major; Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu; U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Mike Leavitt; U.S. Secretary of Energy Spencer Abraham; U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig; and three-time Pulitzer Prize winning author Thomas L. Friedman.

The Siebel Scholars Conference is highly outcome-oriented, with many discussions translating into action. The 2007 conference on “The Economics of Alternative Energy,” and the 2010 conference on, “Energy and Climate,” led to the creation of several initiatives, which significantly advanced energy efficiency and security. “Justice in America,” the focus in 2004, gave rise to the [Meth Project](#). Since the program’s inception in Montana in 2005, teen Meth use in the state has declined 63% and has since been adopted by seven additional states. The 2002 conference on Stem Cell Research prompted formation of the Siebel Stem Cell Institute, which investigates the root causes of, and develops therapies to treat, some of the world’s most intractable diseases.

For more information about the Siebel Scholars program, please visit [www.SiebelScholars.com](http://www.SiebelScholars.com).

#### About the Siebel Scholars Foundation

The Siebel Scholars program was founded in 2000 by the Siebel Foundation to recognize the most talented students at the world’s leading graduate schools of business, computer science, and bioengineering. Today, our active community of nearly 800 recipients from 19 graduate programs serves as advisors to the Siebel Foundation and works collaboratively to find solutions to society’s most pressing problems.

The Thomas and Stacey Siebel Foundation—a nonprofit, public benefit corporation established as a private foundation in 1996. Its mission is to support projects and organizations that work to improve the quality of life, environment, and education of its community members. The Siebel Foundation funds projects to support the homeless and underprivileged, educational and research programs, methamphetamine abuse prevention, and alternative energy solutions. The Siebel Foundation engages in strategic philanthropy; as such, it does not entertain grant requests, but invests in projects it creates and operates. For more information, please visit [www.SiebelFoundation.org](http://www.SiebelFoundation.org).